A special meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on June 10, 1980 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Hunnicutt presiding.

Present: George Hunnicutt, W.F. McElroy, Robert Collier, Cliff Daniels, Frank Fischer

Also Present: G.M. Newman, City Manager

Mayor Hunnicutt announced this meeting was for a public hearing on the proposed budget for 1980-81, as advertised.

Citizens speaking on the budget, "Red" Owens, Ralph Blevins, Frances Fuller, Henry Gardner. Most of their comments was on real estate tax assessment and work on streets. Vice Mayor McElroy presented Dr. Shah's request from professional association that professional license be put on a fixed charge, beginning with a set rate and increasing each year.

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Vice Mayor McElroy stated he would like for council to give consideration to increase of salary for lower income employees of the City. He suggested it be given to employees in the Street Department or other deserving persons of a lower income. He also suggested this money be taken \$16,000.00 to \$17,000.00 from the amount appropriated in the contingency fund. He suggested a 3% dollar merit raise not to be over 10% dollar raise, including the 7% already requested. The matter of the increase to be left to discretion of the city manager. Council was in agreement for this to be done.

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There being no further business to come before the council same adjourned.

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